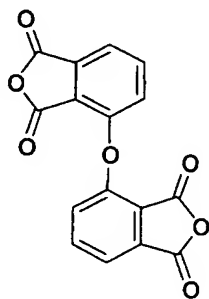


Abstract

A thermoplastic polyimide having good processing characteristics, obtainable by polymerizing an acid component  
5 and a diamine component, wherein an aromatic tetracarboxylic acid dianhydride represented by formula (I):



(I)

or its derivative is used at least as a part of the acid component.